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March 30, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 3, 4, AND 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. RDC0012984 (LHP) - Angeles National Forest Intelligent Transportation System Communications Project, in the North County Area (5), with changes amounting to a credit of \$1,133.00 and a final contract amount of \$1,676,438.09 (Final Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0014330 - Norwalk Boulevard at Aeolian Street, vicinities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier (1 and 4), Moore Electrical Contracting, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$4,954.56, and a final contract amount of \$128,651.11.

CC 8893 - Pacific Coast Highway, California Incline to Trancas Canyon Road, vicinities of Santa Monica, Pacific Palisades, and Malibu (3), C.T. & F., Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$669.68, and a final contract amount of \$1,328,336.59.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. RDC0012984 and RDC0014330 and Cash Contract 8893.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in a value from a credit of \$1,133.00 to an increase in the amount of \$4,954.56, while the total values of the contracts range from \$128,651.11 to \$1,676,438.09.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (FINAL)
March 30, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0012984 (LHP), ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST INTELLIGENT
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT (in the North County
Area), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: HSQ Technology, Inc., P.O. Box 4557, Hayward, California 94540

Project Description:

Installation of variable message signs along various County streets and highways.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$1,133.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based on the actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor had completed more than 93 percent of the project on April 3, 2002. On July 2, 2002, this project was partially accepted by your Board in order to release the retention for the completed work because the contractor was prevented from completing the project by circumstances beyond their control. The remainder of the work has now been completed and we recommend that your Board accept this project.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,454,129.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	223,442.09
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(1,133.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$1,676,438.09</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
March 30, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014330, NORWALK BOULEVARD AT AEOLIAN STREET,
(in the vicinities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 4

Contractor: Moore Electrical Contracting, Inc., 463 North Smith Avenue, Corona,
California 92880.

Project Description:

Installation of traffic signals.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	\$3,717.87
(2)	Exploratory Excavations	600.00
(3)	Installation of Pedestrian Push Button Post	<u>636.69</u>
	Total	<u>\$4,954.56</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It was necessary to have the contractor perform exploratory excavations to confirm the location of existing utilities.

(3) During installation of traffic signal at the southwest corner of Norwalk Boulevard and Aeolian Street, the contractor encountered utilities not shown properly on the plans. In order to comply with ADA requirements and avoid the utilities, it was necessary to install a pedestrian push button post and construct the foundation for a signal standard at the back of the sidewalk.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 is stipulated in the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 30, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$123,696.55
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>4,954.56</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u><u>\$128,651.11</u></u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
March 30, 2004

CASH CONTRACT 8893, PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, CALIFORNIA INCLINE TO TRANCAS CANYON ROAD (in the vicinities of Santa Monica, Pacific Palisades, and Malibu), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: C.T. & F., Inc., 7228 Scout Avenue, Bell Gardens, California 90201

Project Description:

Synchronization of traffic signals.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$669.68)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the contract on January 30, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$ 564,453.75
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	764,552.52
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(669.68)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$1,328,336.59</u>

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